

**BOARD OF ISLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF MEETING
MAY 9, 2011 – REGULAR SESSION**

The Board of Island County Commissioners (including Diking Improvement District #4) met in Regular Session on May 9, 2011 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of County Commissioners Hearing Room (Room # 102B), Annex Building, 1 N.E. 6th Street, Coupeville, Washington. Angie Homola, Chair, Helen Price Johnson, Member, and Kelly Emerson, Member were present. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS

(Recording @ :23)

WELCOME TO NEW EMPLOYEES - APRIL

<u>Department</u>	<u>Employee</u>
Auditor	Diana Bradrick
Health	Barbara McNaughton

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS

<u>Department</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>No Years</u>
Health	Janet McWatt	5
Health	Susan Wagner	20
Planning	Ron Slechta	10
Prosecuting Attorney	Dave Jamieson	35
Sheriff	Leif Haugen	5
Solid Waste	Scott Hambergh	5
Treasurer	Jill Smith	5
Treasurer	Chris Root	10

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH FOR APRIL

Christine's nomination is very simple, one sentence: "Hard worker, nice, helps out a lot."

This is what makes Christine's nomination stand out:

- She was nominated by a member of the public
- The citizen nominated Christine during the height of property tax season chaos

The Treasurer's Office had a particularly rough tax season this year and the staff were under immense pressure from the public. Confused and unhappy taxpayers filled the hallways of the Administration Building, lined up for the Treasurer's Office, throughout the month of April.

Christine's nomination is a reflection on the entire Treasurer's Office, a statement about their ability to remain poised in the midst of chaos and provide outstanding service to the public even during the most difficult of times.

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Island County Employee Veterans Recognition

PUBLIC INPUT OR COMMENTS

(Recording @ 33:07)

Rufus Rose asked again, as he did on May 2 during public comment, if RCW 43.21H, State Economic Policy, applied to implementation of Agenda Item 10, *Ordinance C-39-11 (PLG-001-11) In the Matter of Amending ICC Chapters 15.02, 16.13 & 16.19 Pertaining to Appeals of Charges re: Storm & Surface Water Utility, Marshall Drainage Basin & Clean Water Utility to the Island County Hearing Examiner. (Handout provided and on file with the Clerk of the Board)*

(Recording @ 36:10)

Chair Homola reminded the Board that the topic of discussion, she believes, concerned economic impact studies. She provided her remarks in response.

CONSENT AGENDA

[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]

(Recording @ 41:55)

BY UNANIMOUS MOTION (3-0) the Board approved the following items presented on the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item 3, *Grant Deed of Agricultural Conservation Easement and Baseline Document - Ebey's Reserve*), moved to the Regular Agenda for discussion:

Pre-audited bills: \$194,065.72
Vouchers: \$771,234.45
Electronic funds transfers: \$1,058.33
Payroll: *None*
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Human Services

Contract with Lois Haynes to provide professional mental health services in Island County. LMHC Contract No. HS-33-11; Amount: \$10,000 (RM-HS-11-0107)

Public Works

- Schedule Public Hearing Franchise #61(1)R – Renewal of existing franchise for a water distribution system; County rights-of-way known as Alto Lane, Canyon Rd., Jefferson Pl, Johnson Ln, Parkside Ln, Ridgeline Pl, & Veness Pl; Plat of Cornet Bay Heights, Division 1-5; located in Section 36, Township 34N, Range 1E. Date and Time: June 6, 2011 at 10:15 a.m. (RM-PW-11-0124) (PW-1120-040)
- Schedule Public Hearing Franchise #194R – Renewal of existing franchise for a water distribution system; in a portion of County right-of-way known as south West Camano Drive; Point Allen Water Association; located in Sections 25/26, Township 30N, Range 3 E. Date and Time: June 6, 2011 at 10:15 a.m. (RM-PW-11-0040) (PW-1120-011)
- Schedule Public Hearing Franchise #207R – Renewal of existing franchise for a water distribution system; in a portion of County right-of-way known as North Bluff Road; North Bluff Association; Plat of Greenbank Waterfront Tracts; located in

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Section 4, Township 30N, Range 2E. Date and Time: June 6, 2011 at 10:15 a.m. (RM-PW-11-0077) (PW-1120-022)

- Schedule Public Hearing Franchise #400 – Renewal and transfer of a franchise for an existing water distribution system; in a portion of County rights-of-way known as Maple Heights Road, Brown Road, Scenic Avenue, and Maple Grove Road; Plat of Maple Grove Heights and Maple Grove; Scenic Beach Water Company; located in Section 23, Township 23N, Range 2E. Date and Time: June 6, 2011 at 10:15 a.m. (RM-PW-10-0549) (PW-1020-112)
- Schedule Public Hearing Franchise #403 – Renewal of existing franchise for a water distribution system; County rights-of-way known as D’Jorup St., Puesta del Sol Ave, Utsalady Rd, North Camano Dr., Stillaguamish Ave., Vista Del Mar St., Vista del Monte St., Chick Rd, and Conley Dr.; Buena Vista Community Club; located in Section 19, Township 32N, Range 3E. Date and Time: June 6, 2011 at 10:15 a.m. (RM-PW-11-0078) (PW-1120-024)
- Schedule Public Hearing Franchise #404 – Transfer and Consolidation of existing franchise for a water distribution system; in a portion of County rights-of-way known as Hastie Lake Road, West Beach Road, all County roads within the Plat of Patton’s Hide-away, Divisions No .1-3; Hide-Away Water Company, Inc.; located in Section 13, Township 32N, Range 1W and Section 18, Township 32N, Range 1E. Date and Time: June 6, 2011 at 10:15 a.m. (RM-PW-11-0082) (PW-1120-025)
- Bid Award Concrete Asphalt Materials for 2011; Camano and Whidbey Shops - Award to Granite Construction and Lakeside Industries.
- Bid Award Liquid Asphalt Materials for 2011; Camano and Whidbey Shops; Award to McAsphalt Industries, Ltd.

Treasurer

- Resolution C-52-11 for Sale of Tax Title Property at Public Auction
- Resolution C-53-11 for Sale of Tax Title Property to Island County Public Works

WSU Extension

- Agreement with Northwest Straits Foundation to provide funding for Cornet Bay Restoration Project Management. Amount: \$18,395 (RM-WSU-11-0097)
- Agreement with Patrick Cole, dba Wildlands Management for control and eradication of Spartina during the months of May and June. Amount \$18,600 (RM-WSU-11-0100)

REGULAR AGENDA

[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]

[Item 3, Grant Deed of Agricultural Conservation Easement and Baseline Document - Ebey's Reserve, moved to the Regular Agenda at the request of Commissioner Emerson]

Conservation Futures

Grant Deed of Agricultural Conservation Easement and Baseline Document - Ebey’s Reserve (RM-GSA-11-0121)

(Recording @ 42:50)

Commissioner Emerson requested some clarification from Mr. Mason who provided response.

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(Recording @ 45:35)

Action:

By unanimous motion (3-0) the Board approved the Grant Deed of Agricultural Conservation Easement and Baseline Document - Ebey's Reserve as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]

Budget

Resolution C-47-11 Amending the 2011 Island County Budget *(continued from May 2, 2011)*

(Recording @ 46:26)

Ms. Marlow provided a briefing and recommendation with respect to the first quarter budget amendment.

(Recording @ 55:51)

Board questions and comments

The Chair opened the floor to public comment.

(Recording @ 58:20)

Comment from Rufus Rose

(Recording @ 59:29)

Commissioners Homola and Price Johnson remarked in response concerning the Sustainable Whidbey Coalition (a part of the Council of Governments), its purpose and current efforts.

Public comment closed

(Recording @ 1:01:43)

Action:

By unanimous motion (3-0) the Board approved Resolution C-47-11 Amending the 2011 Island County Budget as presented.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board engaged in dialogue on a variety of subjects, including:

(Recording @ 1:02:09)

Commissioner Emerson

- Attended Habitat for Humanity National Women Build Week in Oak Harbor.
- Suggested that the Council of Governments' agendas and documents be posted to the website along with the minutes and recordings.

Chair Homola

- Also Attended Habitat for Humanity National Women Build Week in Oak Harbor.
- Attended Changes of Command for VP Squadrons 40 and 1 at NASWI

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- First annual *Commissioner Homola's Wellness Mountain Bike Ride* took place last week.
- Attended the Coupeville Farmers Market and as a private citizen, spoke in support of the Hospital bond.
- Upcoming meetings include: 1) WSAC Board of Directors and 2) NACo Board meeting.
- Penn Cove Water Festival will occur Saturday May 14.
- Flags will fly at half-mast this Friday in honor of Police Officer Memorial Day.

Commissioner Price Johnson

- Attended South Whidbey Hearts and Hammers event over the weekend.
- Harrison Goodell was honored with a special achievement award at the Washington State Historical Preservations Officers 2011 Annual Awards ceremony in Olympia.
- Drug take back program occurred on April 30 with the Sheriff bringing in 82 pounds of unused pharmaceuticals at the Freeland Precinct; 25 pounds were collected in Coupeville; 130 pounds of unused pharmaceuticals were taken in at Oak Harbor.
- Proposed draft letter to recognize employee veterans (*Commissioners Homola and Emerson agreed*).
- Whidbey Camano Land Trust is hosting an open house at the Unitarian Church Thursday evening to gain input on the Trillium property conservation easement.

At 11:15 a.m. the Board recessed, returning to open session at 11:30 a.m. to conduct the Annual Inspection of the Island County Corrections and Detention Facility.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m. following the annual inspection of the Island County Corrections and Detention Facility. The Board will meet next in Regular Session on May 16, 2011 beginning at 10:00 a.m.

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Angie Homola, Chair

Helen Price Johnson, Member

Kelly Emerson, Member

ATTEST:

Elaine Marlow, Clerk of the Board